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HONOLULU, H. T., NOV. 20, 1900.

WEATHER YESTERDAY.

Mean Temperature—73.0 degrees.
Maximum Temperature—77.0 degrees.
Minimum Temperature—66.0 degrees.
Rainfall—.30 inch at 9 p. m.
Mean Wind Force for the Day—7.0.
Mean Relative Humidity—81.
WINDS.
Calm, blowing air, mostly southwest.
FORECAST FOR TODAY.
Clearing temporarily, rather likely to rain again.

AN USURPATION OF POWER.

Again are the illegal acts of the administration of Governor Dole made prominent. Several times has the Republican called attention to the meetings of the so-called executive council, a body that has no more legal rights or existence than has the "King of Dahomy" that Hoyt created in his play of "A Texas Steer." When the Hawaiian commission, of which Mr. Dole was a member, was drafting an organic act for Hawaii, Mr. Dole was insistent that it should provide for an "executive council," but all of the other members of the commission were opposed to such a useless body, considering it like the proverbial fifth wheel to the wagon, and refused to consider his contentions. So insistent was Mr. Dole that such a body should be provided for that he presented a minority report, which Congress in its wisdom treated with even less consideration than had the commission and refused absolutely to consider such a clause in the Cullom bill. But what do we find now with Mr. Dole occupying the Governor's chair? We find him creating, directly contrary to the act of Congress, an "executive council" in Hawaii, which meets in secret session twice a week, and for a long time this illegal body met in secret session three times a week. Knowing its acts and meetings to be illegal, the Governor and the members of his official family claim that these meetings are mere conferences to talk over public affairs so that there may be unity of action.

This is all false, as every member of the administration knows. If it were true, why is it that certain officials are, at nearly every meeting, directed to perform certain acts at the behest of this executive council? Why is it necessary for this sacred body to direct officials to perform their sworn duty?

The fact is that this congregation of men the Governor has drawn about himself is without semblance of authority in law. Knowing this, it resorts to secret sessions so that the people may not keep informed of its illegal proceedings. And to try to fool the people certain of its acts are pretended to be given out to the public through the Governor's secretary.

At the meeting of this executive council yesterday the following was given out as one of the acts performed by the body:

"The council authorized Treasurer Lansing to transfer \$100,000 from the current fund to the loan fund."

Unless Treasurer Lansing is anxious to be impeached for malfeasance in office, and we do not believe he is, we warn him now that he had best disobey the order. Treasurer Lansing has no more right to transfer \$100,000 from the current fund to the loan fund than has one of his clerks to take money out of the treasurer's office to buy a horse for his personal use. Only the legislature or legislative authority can order money of the Territory transferred from one fund to another. Treasurer Lansing must know this. Governor Dole has no more authority to order money transferred from one fund belonging to the Territory to another fund that has one of the dock laborers along the water front. Secretary Cooper has no more authority to transfer money from one account in the treasurer's office to another than has his bootblack, Wray Taylor, Commissioner of Agriculture, cannot order or authorize the treasurer of the Territory to transfer money from one account to some other account. Neither does Mr. Atkinson, Superintendent of Public Instruction, possess such authority, nor does Mr. McCandless, Superintendent of Public Works, nor Mr. E. P. Dole, the Attorney General, nor any other Territorial appointee of the Governor.

And as no one of these men in his individual capacity as a Territorial official has any authority whatever to order, or direct, or authorize the Treasurer to transfer money from the current account to the loan fund, neither do all of them collectively possess such authority. It is the most stupendous usurpation of authority that the Dole administration has yet been guilty of. It shows that what this paper has said about this executive council being formed for illegal purposes is true. It has no being in law or equity. It has no rights or authority not possessed by any equal number of citizens of the Territory who might assemble upon the street corner. But by its act of yesterday it is assuming to itself to usurp the power of the legislature, a power that Congress and the laws of this Territory have expressly reserved to the legislature. It took upon itself the power vested in the executive council of the old Republic of Hawaii which was wiped out of existence by the formation of the Territory of Hawaii.

It shows that the charges, that this body of men the Governor has surround-

ed himself with are trying to not only perform the executive functions of their office but the judicial and legislative functions of the co-ordinate branches of the Territorial Government as well, are true. It shows that these sessions begin no good for the Territory of Hawaii. It demonstrates anew the evils of the old order of things in this Territory when a little cabal met in secret to wield a power that never had been placed in their hands.

In the old days of the monarchy such action as that taken yesterday by the illegal executive council in secret session would have resulted in a demand for change in the ministry and cries of corruption would have gone up from the mouths of every member of the family compact.

The action of yesterday illustrates anew the evils of secret sessions of men who are supposed to openly and honestly fulfill the duties of the offices to which they are appointed. It shows that the Dole administration is so afraid of its own weakness that it dare not work in the open and in the broad light of public vision. It may not show corruption, but it at least leaves the doors so open for suspicion when star chamber proceedings are going on, that it is not to be wondered at that people are beginning to ask if there is anything straight in the entire Dole administration.

"I take a file of the San Francisco papers but The Republican of Sunday morning had such a full and complete account of the election that I have not looked at my San Francisco files and shall not do so," said a prominent business man to The Republican yesterday. The Republican has reason to feel proud of its success in furnishing the people a very complete report of the election, giving each state in detail, on Sunday morning. It refused to waste its energy in trying to get out an extra Saturday night but lent all its efforts to furnishing a first class, readable paper on Sunday morning that should contain all the election news that anyone would care to read. That it succeeded is attested by the very large sales of the paper. Praise of it has poured in from every side, which shows that the efforts of The Republican to give the people of Honolulu an up-to-date, hustling daily paper are appreciated.

REVIEW OF THE SUGAR

MARKETS OF THE WORLD

Williams, Dimond & Company's
Circular Showing Conditions
Up to November 9th.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 9.—Our last circular, per Queen, was dated October 16.

SUGAR.—Prices in the local market have since declined, Nov. 7, 25 points Western Sugar Refining Company's last list for California, Oregon and Washington being as follows: Dominoes, 14c; boxes, 6.90c; cubes, 6.90c; 6c; candy granulated 6c; dry granulated, fine, 5.90c; dry granulated coarse, 5.90c; confectioners' A, 5.90c; Mazola A, 5.50c; Extra C, 5.40c; Golden C, 5.30c. Similar reductions were made for export, price today for Nevada, Idaho, Alaska and Hawaiian Islands being 5.50c for dry granulated.

RABBIT.—October 16th to 24th, 10 sales; 25th, cost and freight sale 650 tons at 4.45c; 26th to Nov. 1st no sales; 2d, cost and freight sale 300 tons at 4.37c, since which no sales, making basis for 96 deg. centrifugals in New York on that date 4.37c; San Francisco, 3.90c.

NEW YORK REFINED.—No changes from October 2d to Nov. 7th, declined to 5.45c, equal to 5.34c net cash, since which no change reported.

LONDON BEETS.—October 17th, 18 1-4d; 18th 18 3-4d; 19th to 22d, 18 1-4d; 23d to 27th, 18 7-8d; 28th and 30th, 18 9d; 31st, 18 7-8d; Nov. 1st to 8th, 18 5-8d.

LONDON CABLE.—Nov. 3d, quotes Java No. 15, D. S. 12s; fair refining, 11s; same date, last year, 11s 3d and 10s 6d respectively. November beets, 18 6-8d against 18 last year; December beets, 18 6d against 18 1-2d last year.

STOCK.—Willet & Gray report: November 1st, total stock U. S. four ports, in all hands, estimated, Oct. 30th, 53,104 tons against 181,413 tons same time last year. Six principal ports Cuba, estimated, Oct. 31st, 2,900 tons against 13,500 tons last year. Total stock in all principal countries by cable, Nov. 1st, at least eleven dates, 337,504 tons against 631,458 tons; deficiency under last year, 293,954 tons. Total sugar crops of the world, estimated grand total cane and beet sugars to Nov. 1st, 9,121,000 tons, against 8,263,782 tons; estimated increase in the world's production, 857,218 tons.

EASTERN AND FOREIGN MARKETS.—The New York market throughout the past month has been generally inactive with few transactions, although the sales of 96 deg. Cuba centrifugals for immediate shipment at the reduced prices given above have served to bear out the previous prophecies of the general decline in quotations which will follow with increased offerings. Latest reports indicate that buyers are showing very little disposition to make purchases of sugar to arrive, largely influenced, doubtless, by the weakness displayed in the European market for beet sugar, the slight advance on the 29th ult to 9s 3d, f. o. b., for October beets, due in all probability to purchases made to meet contracts which had to be fulfilled before the end of the month, not being maintained.

Estimates of the Java, Cuba and Louisiana crops are unchanged although cooler weather is needed in the latter country to improve the yield, while it should be borne in mind that the Cuban crop in the past has always turned out short of initial estimates. According to Messrs. C. Carnikow's Weekly Price Current, London, under date of October 25th, estimates from factories relative to the coming beet crop, foreshadowing over 5,900,000 tons, indicate that Mr. Licht's figures will be too low unless the weather is not so favorable as during late years, or unless the already high quality is incapable of improvement as formerly.

Refined has been in light demand with shadings in soft grades, and a guarantee against decline has doubtless delayed the

anticipated reduction in list prices, which, from telegraphic advices indicated above, has at last occurred.

CHARTERS.—Market has continued dull, and inanimate since our advices of 16th ult., and few transactions have taken place, the last spot ship 41-9 orders. Steamers now in China and Japan continue to offer. No change to note in lumber freights.

EXCHANGE.—Sixty days sight, \$4.81 1-2; demand, \$4.85 1-2; New York regular, 5c; telegraphic 7 1-2c.

FLOUR.—G. G. Ex. Family, \$3.75; Crown, \$3.75; Port Costa, \$3.75; El Dorado, \$2.50 per 100 lb., f. o. b.

BRAN.—Pine, \$14 per ton, f. o. b.; coarse, \$14 per ton, f. o. b.

MIDDLINGS.—Ordinary, \$17.50 per ton, f. o. b.; choice, \$18.50 per ton, f. o. b.

BARLEY.—Rolled, \$16.25 per ton, f. o. b.; No. 1 feed, 7 1-2c per cwt. f. o. b.

OATS.—Fair, \$13.7 1-2 per cwt. f. o. b.; choice, \$14.5 per cwt. f. o. b.; Surprise, nominal.

WHEAT.—Chicken, \$19.2 1-2 per cwt. f. o. b.; milling, \$19.7 1-2 per cwt. f. o. b.

CORN.—S. Y., nominal.

HAY.—Wheat, compressed and large bales, \$13.50 per ton, f. o. b.; oat, compressed and large bales, \$12.50 per ton, f. o. b.

LIME.—\$1.10 per barrel, f. o. b.

RICE.—Market is very dull and lower prices are looked for. Louisiana is quoted today at from 3c to 6c according to grade. Japan, light demand; price, 4.95c, duty paid. The new crop is expected shortly. China, in bond, 2.32 1-2; duty paid, 4.25c.

COFFEE.—Hawian: Market is still very dull and but few small transactions have been reported since our last circular. Stock in first hands today, 3,742 bags.

Our latest sugar telegram from New York, Nov. 9: "No sales; granulated unchanged, beets unchanged."

VESSELS UP AND LOADING.—For Honolulu, to sail Nov. 11: S. C. Allen, Mauna Ala, Andrew Welch; to sail Nov. 14, Olympic and W. B. Flint; sailing date not set, Rossmore, Kaimani, Archer and W. H. Dimond. For Hilo: Roderick Dhu.

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MATTERS CONSIDERED IN EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Governor Dole read a letter at the meeting of the executive council yesterday from Secretary Gage which states that Hawaiian importers may pay their customs dues at San Francisco, the receipt for such payments to be accepted at the customs office here as cash. Some time ago Governor Dole wrote Secretary Hitchcock, calling attention to the uncertain status of Hawaiian silver coin, pointing out that it ought to be recognized by congressional legislation as United States coin substituted for it. The letter was referred to Secretary Gage.

Another communication forwarded some time ago by Governor Dole to Washington called attention to the fact that while this territory has been deprived of the customs revenue and while the federal government has assumed the public debt, the interest is still paid by the territory. The interest amounts to \$240,000 per annum. The letter suggested that in equity the territory is entitled to the customs receipts until such a time as the United States assumes the debt in fact. This matter was also referred to the secretary of the treasury.

A proposition of the Bishop estate to exchange certain lots on the proposed Queen street extension for a public lot on Liliha street was presented by Mr. McCandless.

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A bill of \$25 was presented by Harkfield & Co. for taking the pilot of the Doric last week by the tug Fearless.

An estimate was submitted by Engineer Edwards of the cost of a storm sewer on Fort street from Hotel street to the wharf. He thought \$4,800 would pay for the improvement. Bids will be asked for.

The Rapid Transit company submitted a new proposition concerning the Diamond Head cemetery. They offer to give the territory 10 per cent of all gross receipts obtained from operating the cemetery. Their proposition also specifies that the charge for grave-digging shall be the average cost of same. A charge of \$1 per month is to be made for keeping full-sized lots in order. Half lots will be charged a fee of 50 cents per month.

President Will Be There.

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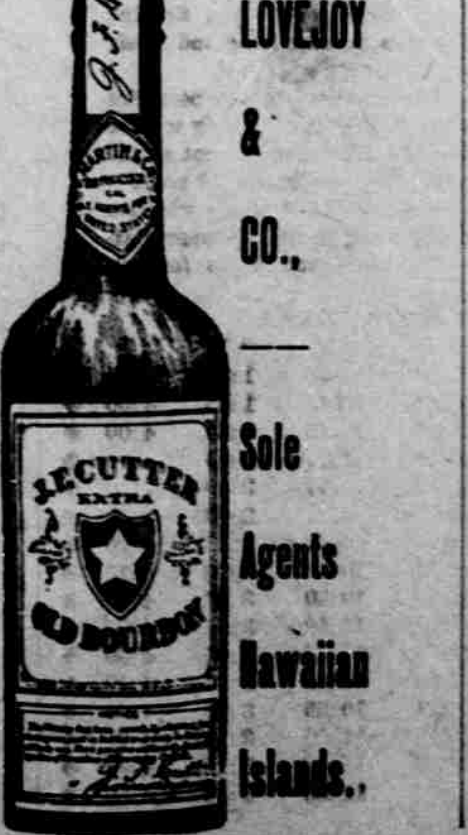
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